

2241



PATENT

Attorney Docket No. 31915.0007

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of Simons

Serial No.: 09/996,725

Filed: November 30, 2001

For: Standard Attachment Fittings For Wire Rope And Chain
Enhanced To Also Perform Load Weighing Functions

Examiner: Randy W. Gibson

Group Art Unit: 2841

TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800

RESPONSE TO PAPER NO. 2

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

An office action dated June 17, 2003 and labeled "Paper No. 2" (the "Office Action") was received and reviewed. In

Date of Deposit September 17, 2003

I hereby Certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, D.C. 20231

Michael L. Culotta

Name

Michael L. Culotta

Signature

response to the Office Action, applicant submits the following amendments and remarks. Amendments to the claims start on page 3 of this *Response*. Remarks start on page 7 of this *Response*. Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the claims, as amended herein.